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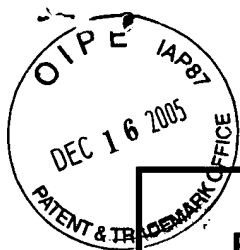
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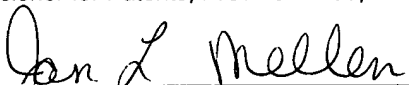
**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT WITH TRAVERSE**

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This is responsive to the restriction requirement dated November 17, 2005. In response to the Examiner's restriction, Applicant submits the following.

A prior restriction requirement was mailed August 9, 2005. Applicant responded to that restriction with an election, with traverse, mailed August 31, 2005. In that response, the Applicant argued that claims 2-6 and 8-14 more correctly belonged in Group II as opposed to Group I. Further, in that response Applicant elected Group II including claims 2-6, 8-14 and 21-27.

It appears that the Examiner has agreed with Applicant's position as to which claims belong in Group II. It is unclear, however, as to why the Examiner did not enter Applicant's election of those claims. Further, the Examiner refers to the paper filed September 2, 2005 as an amendment but the claims were not amended in that filing. Rather, the claims were previously amended by the Applicant in a paper filed on May 13, 2005.

This pending restriction requirement merely restates Applicant's position as to which claims belong in which group but asks for an election.

Election

According to the Examiner, there are two inventions in the application as follows:

- I. Claims 18-20, drawn to Computer to Computer Session/Connection Establishing; and
- II. Claims 2-6, 8-14 and 21-27, drawn to Computer to Computer Data Routing.

To reiterate, Applicant elects the claims identified as Group II including claims 2-6, 8-14 and 21-27.

Delay of Prosecution

Applicant respectfully submits that the restriction requirement mailed August 9, 2005 was properly responded to with the election filed September 2, 2005. Thus, this pending restriction requirement was unnecessary. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that any delay caused by this additional restriction requirement be credited to the Applicant's favor with respect to any patent term adjustment for any patent that may issue from this application.

Any questions regarding this matter may be directed to the undersigned. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees due for the filing of this paper to Deposit Account 02-3038.

Respectfully submitted,



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